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John, I don't wish to take issue with Riverside on our recommendation to have our suppliers palletize asbestos fibers to reduce ripped bags in handling. Most probably the recommendation is misdirected and should be approached as an industry-wide issue.

Larry Megargee points out in his memo of April 24, 1984 to Janis Woodson, that most damage occurs in transportation and handling prior to receiving at the plant. Also, that the more the loads are handled, the more damage is observed, i.e., African vs. Calveras.

While I believe the job Riverside does in religiously taping torn bags is admirable, the fact is that torn bags have already contributed to fiber release. Further, the procedure is accomplished not without cost.

Larry suggests the number of ripped bags is insignificant. I suggested that "insignificant" is an arguable conclusion considering the potential for exposure to asbestos and continuing efforts to regulate reductions. More importantly, however, if the damage as Larry suggests is the result of handling by others, we should insist on better packaging.

Rather than pallets, as recommended to Riverside, an alternative may be flapped cardboard separators as described in my April 18, 1984 memo to Darwin Hall (you were copied). Could you approach the fiber suppliers on the feasibility of such a packaging change?

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